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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce will ask Congress for authority to sit during the recess to prepare a measure to regulate railroad freight rates. —— Senator Daniel yesterday introduced a bill appropriating $600,000 for the Jamestown exposition, and Gen. Fitzhugh Lee called on the President to use his influence in behalf of exposition legislation. ——In the House yesterday under Democratic leadership, an old scandal in connection with the old New York custom house was whipped out; Crumpacker made a long speech in favor of cutting down Southern representation; a bill was passed to provide for the construction of a light house and fog signal on Diamond Shoals, Cape Hatteras. —— In the Senate yesterday, Senator Morgan opposed granting the right of suffrage to Indians, and speeches for the prosecution and defence were made in the Swayne impeachment case. —— At Cleveland, O., yesterday, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick was forced to take the witness stand, but she baffled the referee and lawyers and even refused to admit her name. —— Up to yesterday 100 bodies had been moved from the Alabama mine in which the disaster occurred on Monday. —— The Simplon tunnel, 12 miles through the Alps and costing $15,000,000, was completed yesterday; it is the greatest engineering feat of the age. —— At Jackson, Miss., yesterday and last night, Gov. Vardaman again took prompt measures to prevent the lynching of a negro who committed an assault on a white lady. —— Ex Judge George Howard is dead at Tarboro, N. C. —— New York markets: Money on call firm at 2½@3 per cent; cotton was quiet at 7.55; flour was dull but firm. wheat, spot bar ly steady. No. 2 red $1.23¾ f. o.b. afloat; corn, spot firm, No. 2 57½c at elevator; oats, spot quiet, mixed 26@32 pounds, 37@37c; rosin steady, common to good $1.37½; spirits turpentine easy at 51 to 54c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 24.

Meteorological data for the twenty four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 35; 8 P. M., 43 degrees; maximum, 50 degrees; minimum 33 degrees; mean 42 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 0.0; rainfall since first of the month to date, 5.44 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A.M. Friday, 44.5 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, February 24.—For North Carolina: Fair Saturday and Sunday; light variable winds.

Port Almanac—February 25.

Sun Rises	6 39 A. M.
Sun Sets	5 49 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H. 10 M.
High Water at Southport	12.8 P. M.
High Water at Wilmington	3 05 P. M.

"What will the Beef Trust do now?" an exchange has the temerity to inquire. Just as if the Beef Trust wasn't doing the beef eaters now.

After all the vigorous assaults of the government on the Beef Trust, we are not going to waste any time watching the little end of the horn to see the Beef Trust emerge.

One of Jonann Hoch's victims was a grass widow, and as soon as he was married to her he robbed her of $1,500 in cash. Hoch sees no such signs as "keep off the grass."

Mayor McCarthy, of Richmond, orders the removal from show windows of all artificial limbs on which fine hosiery is displayed. Mc. is right for driving out all counterfeit articles such as that.

Of course, the Senators won't have time now to pass the President's railroad rate bill, but how many of them will get leave to print in the Congressional Record speeches favoring the passage of the bill?

In the city election in Philadelphia a lot of reform Republicans were candidates for the various offices and pledged themselves against corruption in municipal politics. That made them look so much like Democrats that they were snowed under.

The Senators passed over the railroad rate bill till the next session of Congress, because, they say, that the time is now too short to give it the proper deliberation. Just as if they didn't want to accept the President's argument and act promptly like the House of Representatives.

They are going to prosecute the Beef Trust in order to make them quit conspiring to cut the cattle raiser off with low prices for beef cattle. If the Beef Trust has got to pay more for its stock, we consumers may as well look pleased and pay the penalty.

The Rev. Dr. Hillis, up North, declares that Americans are losing their imagination. Doctor, you surely haven't observed the stunt which the United States Senate is performing in its imagination that it has got the people fooled.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Portner—Bock beer.
Notice—Commissioner's sale.
H. M. Bremer—Elite Market.
Wilmington Iron Works—Notice.
J. M. Solky & Co—Clearing sale.
Atlantic National Bank-Safety boxes
Murchison National Bank—Assets.
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Little Gibraltar.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Notice—For rent.
Wanted—Salesman.

FREE TO THE WORLD!

Sensational Climax to Pilotage Fight Before Senate Committee in Raleigh.

ALL LAWS TO BE REPEALED.

Pilots Threw Down Challenge, Which Was Quickly Snapped Up by Business Men—Only Absolutely Free Port South of Maine.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 24.—The fight over the Wilmington Pilotage bill which has been waged vigorously in committee and among members of the Legislature generally for several weeks came to a dramatic end, for the business interests of Wilmington, a very gratifying termination this afternoon, during the hearing before the Judiciary Committee of the Senate, in that an agreement was reached between the representatives of the pilots and Wilmington business men, whereby all laws and clauses of laws relating to pilotage at Wilmington and the bar below Southport are to be repealed and the port made absolutely free to the world. This includes the abolition of the present Board of Navigation and Pilotage and all compulsory pilotage fees, making Wilmington the only absolutely free port on the Atlantic coast south of Maine.

The agreement came as a great surprise to all parties connected with the hearing, and was sprung upon the meeting in the midst of the visit from speech by J. Allen Taylor, president of the Chamber of Commerce. He had revealed the whole situation and explained the features of the bill from the viewpoint of advocates of the measure, and was being catechised by members of the committee and by pilots and their representatives. Mr. Taylor was explaining, by request of Senator Zollicoffer, the reasons why Wilmington's excessive pilotage fees was an important factor in handicapping the wholesale merchants and others in competing with Norfolk and Richmond, even at points in central North Carolina.

J. O. Carr, Esq., of counsel for the pilots, interrupted to express a doubt that the pending bill would have any effect on the present situation. He insisted that the pilots had the interest of the port as much at heart as any of the business men, and for that reason he would challenge an agreement to repeal all law regarding pilotage and to have no regulations at all.

In an instant Hugh MacRae, who advocated the idea of an absolutely free port at the hearing before the House committee two weeks ago, was on his feet and on behalf of the advocates of the bill he accepted the proposition.

For a few moments everybody was trying to talk at once and there was intense excitement. Members of the Senate Committee insisted on clearing the committee room and going into executive session. Mr. MacRae, Mr. Busbee, Mr. French and others insisted that this agreement should be definitely settled upon, "signed and sealed," and it was at once done. Mr. MacRae reminded them that two years ago there had been a compromise agreed on that had been afterwards absolutely nullified and no more risks were to be taken.

Then within a few minutes it was finally agreed that a substitute for the present bill should be drawn; that it should designate every act on the statute books of the State, pertaining to pilotage at Wilmington and for the bar, and definitely repeal every one, leaving the port and bar absolutely free to the world.

The agreement is that this substitute shall be passed in the Senate at once and sent to the House for concurrence, the pilots and their counsel pledging themselves to advocate the adoption of the substitute by the House. It is expected that a substitute will be gotten through both branches of the Assembly within the next day or two, the big delegation of business men, who came this morning to fight for the bill, will remain here until the "Free port" substitute is ready for ratification.

Both sides to the fight express satisfaction at the result.

The news of the sensational turn of affairs in the pilotage fight was received here last night with surprise and misgivings. "The pilots must have something up their sleeves;" "the pilots made a gigantic bluff and had it called"—those were some of the comments. Others said that the pilots had given up in despair, but that is hardly probable. A repeal of all pilotage laws means that all restrictions upon rates is removed and the pilots may be depending upon charging in the future what they can get. On the other hand, all restriction as to the licensing of pilots is removed and any one may now enter the business. The question is will enough of the pilots remain in business to create a competition and thereby keep rates normal. The business men appear to think so, and, apparently, the pilot leaders are depending upon something to the contrary. At any rate the public is informed that both sides "express satisfaction," and "we shall presently see what we shall see."

Fayetteville Bank Affair.

Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer says: "Mr. R. T. Gray, of Raleigh, appointed by Judge Ferguson temporary receiver of the Bank of Fayetteville, has duly qualified by giving the requisite bond in the sum of $30,000 and is now engaged in taking a complete inventory of all the bank property to be turned over to him. This completed, he will enter upon the duties of his position."

LOCAL DOTS.

— Other locals, see fourth page.

— There were sales of 10 casks of spirits on the local market yesterday at 49½c., but otherwise, there was nothing doing.

— Young Robert Presson, who was burned in the oil tank explosion earlier in the week, was still further improved yesterday. He is now about out of danger.

— The remains of the late Mrs. Catherine A. Healy were sent by express yesterday morning to New York for interment. Those who acted as pallbearers to the station were Messrs. P. Q. Moore, U. M. Robinson, W. W. Blair, W. A. Caldwell, J. S. Chambers and Roger Moore.

— Greensboro Record: There was a delightful dance at the assembly hall of the Benbow last evening, given complimentary to Misses Blanche Foote, of Wilson, and Hazel Love, of Wilmington. Thirty couples participated and dancing lasted from 9 o'clock to 1 this morning. Excellent music was furnished by the Greensboro Orchestra."

— Schooner "R. W. Hopkins," Brunswick, Ga., to New York, which put in at Southport about two months ago in distress, has completed temporary repairs and sailed yesterday for her destination. Capt. Fred H. Allen went as master of the vessel, Capt. George H. Hichborn having been sick and having gone to New York by rail Thursday night.

— There was little change in the cotton market yesterday though New York spot declined to 7.75. Receipts yesterday were 441 bales against only 9 bales same day last year. Receipts for the week ended yesterday were 2,919 bales against only 278 bales same week last season. Receipts of naval stores for the week showed a gain in spirits and tar, but a falling off in all other items.

— Capt. Tanner, special inspector of the U. S. government who was recently here to look after the life-saving equipment on the steam craft in the harbor, is quoted by several as saying that the tug "Marion," of this city, was one of the three steamers he had inspected in three months to come up to the letter with every requirement and equipment stipulated by the government. Of course, all of them at Wilmington passed very creditable inspections, but the "Marion" was spoken of as an exception.

FUNERAL OF CAPT. R. M. CAPPS.

Remains Laid to Rest in Bellevue Cemetery Yesterday With Pythian Honors.

The funeral of the late Capt. Robert M. Capps was conducted at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from Fifth Street M. E. Church, the Rev. A. McCullen, pastor of the congregation, officiating. Members of Clarendon Lodge No. 2, Knights of Pythias, of which Capt. Capps was a Past Chancellor, attended the services, together with many friends of the deceased and family. The burial service was with Pythian honors and was very pretty, indeed. The floral tributes included a pretty design from the Knights of Pythias and several from individual friends.

The interment was in Bellevue cemetery, the pall-bearers having been; Honorary, Messrs. Frank H. Stedman and Marsden Bellamy, Esq.; active, Messrs. John J. Fowler, T. B. Jackson, F. V. Huggins, Capt. Robert Green, Capt. W. P. Oldham and Capt. P. T. Dickey.

The Chinese Difficulty.

"Bobbie" Brown, the 15-year-old colored boy who was the exciting cause of the trouble at Sam Lee's Chinese laundry on Market street Thursday afternoon, was the lone offender in the police court yesterday, he having been charged both with carrying a concealed weapon and an assault with a deadly weapon. Herbert McClammy, Esq., appeared as counsel for the muchly-agitated sons of the celestial kingdom, and out of the mass of testimony offered, the Mayor ruled that there was probable cause in each of the cases, and Brown was bound over to Superior Court in bonds of $25 each. Mr. N. N. Davis, by whom the boy was formerly employed as a house servant, became security for the defendant.

West India Negro's Trouble.

Justice Bornemann will investigate in his court at 9 o'clock this morning the disorder in which Samuel Johnson, the West Indian negro, was so badly lacerated and had to be taken to the hospital night before last. It appears that Johnson went into the store of a negro named Brown, on Seventh street, between Nun and Church, and made himself very obnoxious. He was twice put out of the place and a third time he broke through a glass door and came in again. Some one in the store then went for the intruder with a knife, whacking open his lips to the gums and laying open one of his cheeks. The negro is about able to leave the hospital now and will be given trial for disorderly conduct.

Pastor Hale's Sermons.

At the First Baptist church Sunday morning Pastor Fred D. Hale will preach the third in his series of sermons on "Heaven," the special topic being, "Do the Saints Go Immediately to Heaven at Death?" At night, the fifth in a series of doctrinal and historical sermons will be preached, the subject being, "The Wonderful Progress of Baptists in America During the Past One Hundred Years." On Wednesday night he will take up the first in a series of Bible Studies on the Holy Spirit.

ENGINEER DROWNED.

Tragic Death on Town Creek of Wilmington Man Thursday Night.

CAPT. ROBERT A. SELLERS.

Marks of Violence on Body Lends Element of Mystery to Tragic End—Inquest Asked at First, But Finally Abandoned.

An element of mystery accompanies the death of Capt. Robert A. Sellers a well-known marine engineer of this city, who was drowned from aboard the freight steamer "Mayflower," Capt. Ellis Sherman, while she was moored at the wharf of Gibson's mill, on Town Creek, night before last about 10:15 o'clock. The steamer left Wilmington near 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon and had tied up at the mill, 35 miles by water from Wilmington early in the night, Capt. Sherman expecting to bring a cargo back to Wilmington the following day. Capt. Sherman, Engineer Sellers, the colored cook and Ed. Banks, a colored fireman, constituting the crew of the boat, had retired for the night. Capt. Sherman and Engineer Sellers occupying banks in the cabin on the upper deck and the colored men below. About the hour indicated, Capt. Sherman heard the engineer talking to the colored cook, the latter saying "This way, chief," and presently there was a splash as if some one had gone overboard. Capt. Sherman hastened to the rail of the steamer and saw the engineer in the water, which is about 25 feet deep at that point. He was evidently attempting to swim and Capt. Sherman and the cook threw him life preservers as fast as they could. To one of those the struggling engineer finally clung until a small ferry boat in the vicinity had been launched and put to the rescue, Capt. Sherman pulling the man aboard personally. The engineer had been in the water only a few minutes as well as Capt. Sherman was able to judge under the excitement at the time, but when he was pulled aboard the flat he was unconscious. Dr. E. G. Goodman, of El Paso, near the mill, was summoned and he came within a short time and worked with the man an hour or more, but all efforts to resuscitate him were fruitless.

An examination of the body disclosed that Mr. Sellers' nose was broken; there was a bad bruise under one eye and on the stomach there was a badly blistered spot. The latter disfiguration was accounted for by the fact that some liniment and whiskey had been used in rubbing him in the effort to start respiration again, but the other wounds on the body are unaccounted for unless Mr. Sellers fell against something as he went overboard.

As the steamer was without an engineer, the body had to be brought to Wilmington by private conveyance overland, Capt. Sherman accompanying the remains. Upon the arrival here about noon the remains were taken to Yopp's undertaking rooms, and members of the family, after hearing the particulars, expressed a desire that a coroner's inquest be held to disclose all the facts in the matter and ascertain if there was foul play. The point was then raised that the drowning occurred in Brunswick and that the coroner of that county alone would have the authority to empanel a jury of inquest. Dr. T. V. Moore, of Phœnix, the coroner of Brunswick county, was then notified of the request of the family and he came over late in the afternoon, but, under the law, he was unable to take any action without an affidavit from some one that there was suspicion of foul play. In the meantime, the case had been thoroughly gone over with all who could shed any light upon the drowning, and the inquest, to avoid further delay with the funeral arrangements, was at length abandoned.

Early last night the remains were removed from Yopp's undertaking establishment to the residence of the family, 722 South Front street, and the funeral will be conducted from there at 3 o'clock this afternoon by Rev. A. McCullen, pastor of Fifth Street Methodist church. The interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

Mr. Sellers was in the 54th year of his age and had been a marine engineer on the Cape Fear river and tributaries all his life. He was a Confederate veteran, having joined the army when a boy scarcely over 14 years of age. He was well liked by all on the boat upon which he worked and Capt. Sherman says, in his opinion, there was absolutely no cause for foul play on the part of any member of the crew. Mr. Sellers is survived by his wife, two daughters and three sons, the children being Mrs. David W. Willis and Mrs. E. R. McGowan, Messrs. Andrew J., Robert G. and August F. Sellers. Mr. J. G. Carney, of this city, and Mr. W. H. Carney, of Columbus county, are half brothers of the deceased.

Accident at Lumber Mill.

John Walker, a colored brick layer, who was at work yesterday morning about some machinery at the Hilton Lumber Company, was caught in some cogs and badly injured about the lower portions of the body, his clothing having been torn from his body and the flesh lacerated in places. The injured man was sent to the hospital, and was reported from there last night as doing very well. The injuries are not regarded as serious.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

— Mr. Jno. A. Tate, of Charlotte, is a guest at The Orton.

— Mr. J. B. Ruark, of Southport, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. Jos. D. Smith returned to High Point yesterday morning.

— J. B. Schulken Esq., of Whiteville, is in the city on professional business.

— Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Herring, of Rocky Mount, were guests at The Orton yesterday.

— Among yesterday's arrivals were Messrs C. VanLauven, of Croaly, and O. W. Scott, of Hallsville, Duplin county.

— Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, returned yesterday from a lecturing trip in Pender and Duplin counties.

— Miss Mary Wharton, of Roanoke, and Miss Louise Wharton, of Bedford City, Va., are visiting Mrs. C. M. Butler, on South Third street.

— Mrs. D. M. Pearsall and little daughter passed through the city yesterday en route to their home at Florence, S. C., after a visit to Clinton, N. C.

— Mrs. Philip Heinsberger, Jr., left yesterday to spend some time with her mother, Mrs. J. S. Hines. She was accompanied by her little daughter, Sarah Hicks.

— Midshipman Louis P. Davis, U. S. Navy, after a pleasant visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Junius Davis, has gone to Philadelphia, where he will receive his assignment. He will probably join one of the ships of the North Atlantic squadron, which is cruising around the island of Cuba.

— Rocky Mount Record: "Mr. W. H. Wahmann, who left Rocky Mount several months ago to accept a position as cashier for the Southern Express Company at Wilmington, will return to Rocky Mount about the 1st of March to accept back his former position as Express agent of this town. Mr. J. G. Riddick, the present agent, will be transferred to some point that has not definitely been decided upon."

COMEDY WAS WELL RECEIVED.

"Mr. Bob" Delightfully Presented to Large Audience by High School Students.

An audience which taxed the capacity of the hall last evening witnessed a clever production of the amusing little, light comedy, "Mr. Bob," by the Wilmington High School Dramatic Club. The stage settings, the costumes and all other environments of the piece were all that could be desired and the lines were very cleverly handled by the members of the cast. Miss Laura Weill was seen to great advantage as a maiden lady in whose apartments, at "Fresham," the scenes were laid; Sidney McDonald was first class as the maiden lady's butler; Mr. R. C. James cleverly handled the role of her nephew; Miss Fannie Murchison made a charming niece; Miss Janie Dudley had a clever conception of the part of her maid, while Mr. T. F. Wood was exceptionally good in his conception of the role of clerk with Benson & Benson and Miss Amoret Lord was all that could be desired as "a friend" of the niece. These interesting folks in an intricate plot kept the audience in a constant uproar of applause and the production was every whit a success.

Incidental to the piece, a chorus by the young ladies "Who is Silvia?"; a shadow pantomime, "Ballad of Mary Jane," and a solo "King of the Forest, Am I" by Mr. Clarence Mills, were very well received. Between the acts Misses Agnes Chasten and Julia McLaurin captivated the audience with a duet, "With Wind and Tide—March and Galop Brillante," which was delightfully rendered.

The play was managed by Messrs. R. C. James and T. F. Wood and a neat sum was realized for the High School Athletic Association for the benefit of which it was given.

BASKET BALL LAST NIGHT.

First Half of Series Closed With Loughlin's Team First—The Scores.

Two interesting games of basket ball were played last night, closing the first half of the new series in the Y. M. C. A. league. The scores were: Dosher 16, Harper 10, and Loughlin 11, McGeachy 9. The games were witnessed by an interested gathering of spectators who made the large gymnasium ring with their cheers of several sensational plays.

The first half of the series closed with Loughlin's team at the top of the percentage column, having won four games and lost none. Dosher and McGeachy tie for second place, with two games won and two lost, while Schulken and Harper tie for the "tail-end" distinction, each having won one game and lost three.

This afternoon at 3:30 o'clock junior teams captained by Jewell, Morris, Chasten and Bennett will play. The games will be free to the public and promise to be very exciting.

Real Estate Transfers.

From deeds filed for record yesterday the following real estate transfers appear: L. M. LeGwin and wife to Jennie R. Allen, for $3,000, property on south side of Chesnut street, 77 feet east of Ninth street, 26½x78 feet in size, more or less. Sarah Banks, of Washington, D. C., to Eliza J. Green, for $50, property on south side of Bladen, 113½ feet west of Seventh street, 66x113½ feet in size.

See the up-to-date line of Silver a Bisanger's.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

House Passes Laughinghouse Bill Regulating Passenger Fares in the State.

AFTER SPIRITED DISCUSSION.

Part of Wilmington Bills at Night Session—Education of the Races—Many Local Measures in Both Houses of Legislature.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 24.—By a vote of 70 to 31 the lower house of the General Assembly to-day passed the bill of Mr. Laughinghouse, of Pitt, regulating passenger fares in North Carolina. The bill came up as the special order. It provides that the railroads charge not more than three cents per mile on first class fare; not more than 2½ cents per mile for second class.

Mr. Biggs sent forward an amendment giving the Corporation Commission the power to exempt from this provision of the bill independent and branch roads, and give the commission power to fix the rate for such exempted roads.

Mr. Laughinghouse accepted the amendment and spoke in advocacy of the bill, saying it gave the people of the State, who travel from station to station, the same rate as those who travel on the luxurious trains from New York to New Orleans. He read statistics giving the rates in other States and compared them to our own. Mr. Murphy, of Buncombe, spoke for the bill. He said it was no radical measure, but it was one of mere matter of justice, which would four the men who travel a hundred miles as the men who bought a thousand mile ticket; that it was true that North Carolina owed a great deal to the railroads, but the rates were too high and should be reduced; that the reduction asked for was only one-quarter of a cent per mile on each fare.

Mr. McNinch in advocating the bill said he was not antagonistic to railroads or corporate interests, but he thought it a measure a righteous one; that if he thought the measure would work a hardship on the railroads he would be against it but that with the increased profits from the people, the passenger rate should be cheapened.

Mr. Boney opposed the bill. He said his people had made money and money on railroads, and they were satisfied if proper accommodations were given. He said the trucking interest of his section had been built up by the Atlantic Coast Line. He said we needed more trains and if the rate was reduced this we could not get. He said we have a corporation commission to regulate these matters. "My people," said Mr. Boney, "will be perfectly satisfied to 'stand pat' on this question. Mr. Laughinghouse asked Mr. Boney if he did not enjoy some special privileges from the railroads. Mr. Boney said he did not.

Mr. Hutchinson opposed the bill and was also asked by Mr. Laughinghouse if he didn't enjoy some special privilege. Mr. Hutchinson said no. Mr. Turlington said in the beginning he was going to state that he had no special privilege but was going to vote against the bill; that he was not influenced by any outside, and that he did not think his people demanded the reduction.

Mr. Ballard opposed the bill because the S. A. L. train from Weldon to Raleigh was not now paying and he didn't want the company to take it off because it was a great convenience to his people. Mr. Mitchell said he would vote for the bill but he was afraid the railroads would make up for the difference on freight rates.

Mr. Woodard advocated the bill, and offered an amendment making interchangeable mileage books compulsory and reduce the price one-quarter of a cent per mile. Mr. Bickley opposed the bill on the ground that the Corporation Commission now has power to make the rates. Mr. Hankins opposed the original bill but was in favor of the Woodard amendment. Mr. Fensler advocated the bill and amended Woodard's amendment allowing rate on milage books to remain as at present, which was accepted by Mr. Woodard. Mr. Murphy, of Rowan, humorously sent forward an amendment which was later withdrawn, providing that members of the Legislature should not draw from the State more than three cents per mile as mileage, and an amendment that members be required to pay not less than ten cents per mile for their railroad tickets.

Mr. Koonce, of Onslow, offered an amendment that members riding on free passes should not draw mileage from the State. The amendment was voted down.

The Woodard amendment as amended by Mr. Fensler, was carried, as also was Mr. Biggs' amendment. The vote on the bill on its second reading was 70 for and 31 against. The rules were then suspended and the bill passed third reading.

Routine Proceedings.

No bills of importance were introduced in the Senate. One was by Sinclair to define boundaries between Cumberland and Bladen; another by Fleming, to authorize Greenville to establish sewerage system; by McCulloch, to authorize Bladen to pay certain school claims.

Among bills passed were: To amend charter of LaGrange; to charter Wadesboro, High Point and Winston Inter-Urban railroad; to submit question of compulsory education in the city of Asheville; to authorize Morehead City to establish graded schools, to issue bonds and to amend its charter; to regulate pay of jurors in Harnett; to provide working of chain gang on streets of Monroe.

The Senate passed the general school bill, striking out the section which provided that members of county school boards hold for six instead of two years.

In the House bills were introduced: By Williams, to amend charter of Rose Hill; by Britt, to amend charter of Lumberton, for the protection of the official map of Lumberton, and to provide for the better repair of the streets; by Glenn, to amend State election law, providing Australian ballot system; by Shipman, to enlarge stock law territory in Columbus; by McGill, to regulate sale and manufacture of cider in Cumberland.

Mr. Murphy, of Rowan, asked the courtesy of the House in postponing the special order of to-morrow, which was the Ward bill, as he had to go home and he wanted to speak on the bill. The House granted the request, and the Ward bill was postponed until Tuesday at 12 o'clock, and the debate on the bill will be limited to one hour.

SOME LOCAL BILLS.

Mr. Empie to-day introduced in the Senate a bill to regulate the fees of the coroner in New Hanover county. It provides that, in case the coroner is a physician, he can, without waiting for request of a juror, determine the necessity of holding an autopsy, and hold the same, the county commissioners being empowered to pay him for the same.

During the night session of the House the Guion bill, to prevent disorderly conduct on the public roads was passed. It makes such conduct a misdemeanor.

Three Wilmington bills were passed. They were the bills for a public library, to provide salaries for aldermen, and empower the city to remove certain buildings.

Another bill passed was the Pender "Bull Bill," requiring section men in Pender county to report to the nearest depot within a day after the loss of any cow or other domestic animal.

WON'T EXTEND A. & N. C.

The Senate Committee on Railroads decided this evening after a long hearing, to report unfavorably A bill to extend the charter of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, this conclusion being especially on the ground that 30 days' notice has not been given of the lessee's purpose to apply for any change in the charter.

MRS. BERRY GODWIN DEAD

Good Woman Passed Away at Lumberton After Long and Painful Illness.

Friends in this city yesterday learned with sorrow of the death of Mrs. Berry Godwin, which occurred at the family home in Lumberton, N. C., Thursday morning at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Godwin had been in poor health and practically an invalid for several years. Her death, while a sad blow to the family, was a blessed translation, for she had been a great physical sufferer for some time. Mrs. Godwin was in the 69th year of her age and before marriage was Miss Martha Faulk. At the age of 16 she was married to Mr. Godwin, now one of Lumberton's most wealthy and influential citizens. She was a consistent member of the Baptist church of Lumberton and bore with Christian fortitude her great suffering. Mrs. Godwin leaves to mourn their loss her husband and one daughter, Mrs. Dr. Griffith, of Greensboro; two grand children, Mrs. A. W. McLean and Mrs. George G. French, and her niece, Miss Dora Faulk. The funeral of Mrs. Godwin was held at 10 o'clock yesterday morning and the remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Lumberton.

The "Light House" for an oyster roast! Everything new. Electric lights. Observed open fires. Last car leaves Wrightsville at 10:30 P. M.; heated, closed cars. The 8 o'clock car from town comes back as far as the Light House at 4:30 P. M. to give you an opportunity to get an oyster roast as well as visit the the ocean.

Big line of Silver just opened at Bisanger's.

Take Advantage of Our Clearing Sale Prices.

Men's	$7 50	Suits	now	$6 15	Men's	7 00	Pants now 5 00
"	10 00	"	"	8 25	"	6 50	" " 5 00
"	11 00	"	"	8 75	"	6 00	" " 4 75
"	12 50	"	"	10 00	"	5 50	" " 4 25
"	13 50	"	"	10 75	"	5 00	" " 4 00
"	15 00	"	"	12 50	"	4 50	" " 3 75
"	16 50	"	"	13 50	"	4 00	" " 3 25
"	18 00	"	"	14 50	"	3 50	" " 2 75
"	20 00	"	"	16 00	"	3 00	" " 2 35
"	22 50	"	"	18 00	"	2 50	" " 2 00

Youth's	$5.00	Suits	now	$ 4.00	300 Children's Suits, sizes from three to sixteen years, in all the latest styles at the following reduction:
"	6.00	"	"	4.75	Child $1 50 Suit now $1.25
"	7.50	"	"	5.75	" 2.00 " " 1.65
"	10.00	"	"	8.00	" 2.25 " " 1.75
"	11.00	"	"	8.50	" 2 50 " " 2.00
"	12.50	"	"	9.50	" 3 00 " " 2.35
"	13.50	"	"	10.00	" 4 00 " " 3.35
"	15.00	"	"	12.00	" 5.00 " " 4.00
"	16.00	"	"	12.50	" 6.00 " " 4.75

Underwear at Low Prices.

.50	cents Shirts or Drawers		.40
.75	" " "		.60
1 00	" " "		.80
1.25	" " "		1.00
1 50	" " "		1.15
2.50	" " "		2 00

Colored Top Shirts.

50	cents Shirts		.40
75	" "		.60
1.00	" "		.80
1.25	" "		1.00
1.50	" "		1.15
2.00	" "		1.60

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Men's Black and Gray	$10.00	Overcoats	now $ 6.50
Men's Black and Gray	12.00	Overcoats	now 8 00
Men's Black and Gray	13.50	Overcoats	now 9.00
Men's Black and Gray	15 00	Overcoats	now 10 00
Men's Black and Gray	16.00	Overcoats	now 10.50
Men's Black and Gray	18.00	Overcoats	now 11.50
Men's Black and Gray	22.50	Overcoats	now 16.50

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WILLIAM H BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 25.

THE DRAW-BACK ON WHEAT.

The Treasury Department has so construed the tariff on wheat that grain imported from Canada pays the tariff, but when it is ground and not marketed in the United States but exported, the millers can draw backt he amount of tariff duty paid on the wheat. The question is thus commented upon by the New York Times:

"The contest now going on with reference to the drawbacks on Canadian wheat used in the manufacture of flour for export is now only as concerns the immediate subject matter. It proceeds on a principle as old as protection and as old, really, as the export trade.

"Even the orders of Secretary Shaw and the opinion of Attorney General Moody are not in the least novel in principle. They rest on the same theory of the law and the intention of Congress as an opinion issued by Attorney General Griggs some seven or eight years ago. That theory is that materials imported from aboard and made up into goods for export were entitled to drawback of duties when their amount and nature could be made to appear to the satisfaction of the customs authorities. How they should thus be made to appear is a matter for the head of the department to decide by his regulations. If he determines that the evidence of importers' and manufacturers' books, kept in accordance with his directions, is adequate, why, then, it is in law adequate, as it clearly is in equity. You can't see the wheat that is ground and mixed with other wheat in flour. You can't see the lead, pig iron, wood pulp, wool, sugar and tallow that have been incorporated with other materials of the same sort. But you can trace them by satisfactory evidence and ascertain how much of them there is, what they are worth, what the duties on them were, and what drawback they are entitled to. We say you can do this, for in actual practice it has been done over and over during the last seven years. There is no earthly reason why it should not be done in the case of foreign wheat and flour.

"That is, there is no good reason. There are bad reasons in plenty, and they will be pressed on Congress probably successfully. The point will be made that the exporting millers ought to buy American wheat. It is of no consequence that they cannot get as much as they need of the right sort, or that they will buy more to mix with Canadian wheat than they would if they could not mix it. There stands the original, dumb, stupid, incorrigible American protectionist who is 'agin' the sale of any goods but his own. Probably he will win. He ought not to. It will harm him if he does. But usually he does."

Let's look into this matter a little. The Republican party levies a tariff for the benefit of the manufacturers principally but during the Presidential campaign they used the tariff on wheat to show that the great Republican party also protects the farmer. Now the Republican administration in effect admits Canadian wheat free of duty if it is exported after it is ground by our mills, and if that is not bringing foreign wheat into competition with American wheat we can't see it straight. Canadian wheat comes in on the drawback plan, which means duty free, and is exported instead of American wheat. If that does not cut down the demand for American wheat, what does it do? If instead of exporting flour ground from American wheat the product ground from Canadian wheat is exported it will be hard for the wheat grower to see where he comes in on protection. The draw-back on Canadian wheat enables the millers to be independent of the American wheat grower, and hence, the millers can fix the price for American wheat or go across the border and get their export supply from Canada. At the same time the millers fix the price for flour, and, the consumers in the United States get no benefit from Canadian wheat that only comes here to be ground and sent out of the country and sold at less prices than flour is sold for in this country. The ruling of the Treasury Department allows Canadian wheat to take the place of American wheat for export and that is all there is in it. After all, is not the flour manufacturers protected and favored instead of the wheat growers? Why, certainly!

The wheat growers are deceived in the idea that they get the full benefit of protection, if they do no profit by the demand for home consumption and the demand for export. It would seem that if the Republican protectionists want to favor American wheat, they would not go into the rebate business, which the administration, on the other hand, declares the railroads shall not do.

Grave Trouble Foreseen.

It needs but little foresight to tell that when your stomach and liver are badly affected grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young, of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters I found just what I needed, for they quickly relieved and cured me." Its the best medicine for weak women. Sold under guarantee by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist, at 50c a bottle.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

TWO TRUSTS BUT WITH A SINGLE THOUGHT.

Under the above heading the Richmond Times Dispatch, which comes from the home town of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, says:

"A convention of cotton planters was held in Atlanta on Tuesday last, the object of which was to promote a movement among farmers to hold the supply of cotton already on hand, to reduce the acreage, and generally to control the supply of raw cotton and fix the price thereof. If this movement should succeed it would be one of the most autocratic trusts ever organized and operated in the United States. While the convention was in session a telegram was received from Mr. S. T. Morgan, president of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, otherwise known as the fertilizer trust, contributing the sum of $1,000 to the movement. The Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company has often been denounced by the farmers. But now that the farmers are organizing it appears that these two trusts are going to be on the most friendly terms. It is even said that Mr. Morgan's gift telegram was received by the farmers with great applause. What will Lawson say?"

The cotton planters' movement is not a trust but we don't know so much about its not being a combination in restraint of trade, if the Sherman act is to be construed literally. However, if the cotton producers' movement is a trust it is one that we entirely sympathize with. They have been forced to meet trust with trust, but the other day when the news came from Atlanta that the fertilizer trust had subscribed $1,000 to help out the movement to cut down cotton acreage 25 per cent. and decrease the use of fertilizers 25 per cent., we thought it was rather queer. That would really mean a reduction of 50 per cent. in the use of fertilizers, but when we come to think of it, the fertilizer people are among the first to suffer when the cotton growers are in hard lines. They not only have no sale for their fertilizers but have hard work to collect what they have to sell at close prices, if indeed they ever have such prices.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Many, very many, of us will never see Easter as late again as it comes this year. Not until 1943 will it again come so late.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

—— Former Senator Chandler predicts the election of Bryan as President of 1908 if the Senate fails to act on the railway rate bill. And yet Dr. Hillis says Americans are losing their imagination.—Washington Post.

—— The contention that compulsory vaccination is an infraction of personal liberty and an unconstitutional interference with the right of the individual to have the smallpox if he wants it, and to communicate it to others, has been ended, so far as this country is concerned, by the United States Supreme Court, in a decision to the effect that compulsory vaccination, as ordered by local boards of health, under authority conferred by act of Legislature, is not an infraction of the liberty of the individual as guaranteed by the constitution. This will not end the discussion of vaccination as a measure of protection against the one disease which it perfectly controls, but it should end the useful life of the society of cranks formed to resist the operation of laws relative to vaccination. Their occupation is gone.—New York Times.

—— We are informed by the State pension board that since their last meeting, only a few months ago, fifty-seven pensioners have died. With sure and rapid tread the veterans of the civil war are going away. The action of the Legislature in providing an increased fund for making more comfortable the declining days of the few who remain comes none too soon. Very few of the survivors of the struggle remain who have not passed sixty years, and the vast majority are close on to or past seventy. The death record will from this on show a steady increase in proportion to the living. There is, therefore, a sound reason why the people of the State should take a pride in approving the more generous appropriation the Legislature has made for the comfort and care of those who remain.—Chattanoogo Times.

"Do you remember Jim Baddun?" "Yes; he used to be about about the worst boy in the whole neighborhood." "And he grew up to be about the toughest man you ever heard of; but he has reformed, been converted and settled down to business. "What is he doing?" "He's writing 'Little Don't' for a religious weekly."—Dallas News.

Poisons in Food.

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in your food, but some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. King's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure all sickness due to poisons of undigested food, or money back. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. Try them.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over 60 years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

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TO THE PEOPLE.

EVERYBODY'S MAGAZINE for March with the latest instalment of my story "Frenized Finances" is out to-day.

BUY IT!

In it I begin the main story of the Crimes of Amalagated.

I take up and handle fittingly, I think, some of the scoundrely "System's" character thus--deals with them and--deposit them.

Rogers' Man Friday, Denis Donahoe, and the "Martin Expose" they have concocte I swing through the air once, twice, tuen with mop-the gutter motion, drop.

I reach once for James H. Pekel-, Ex-Comptroller of the Currency of the United States, the young financial phenomenon who jigged the big Cleveland bond juggle, now President of the Commercial National Bank of Chicago, and who is steering for the "System" in the West in a split-tongue, mud-slinging after dinner skit "Eckles plays Lawson the stock jobber,' which the insurance companies are circulating by the million--I reach for him and I think--get him. Anyway it is for you, the people, to say.

James M. Beck, Ex-Assistant Attorney General of the United States, valiant "trust-buster," and people's champion, who got such a peep behind the government scenes in the Northern Securities hold-up that he was picked off by Rogers, Rockfeller and "Standard Oil" for legal adviser--I think I get three fingers, and a thumb over and under his collar and in a jerk pull and twich, expose just why James M. Beck, is delivering garbage bouquets before college and insurance round-ups in the East, tagged "Beck gills Lawson as a frenzied fakir."

This is the brilliant reformer who came to Boston on the eve of the recent infamous gas trial and was so anxious that I should "match up" my testimony with Rogers, Do you know what "matching up" testimony mean?

Other things and people of moment are man-handled and headed for the hospital.

Let me say right here--this number of EVERYBODY'S contains Russell's second chapter on the Beef Trust which which it behooves all patriotic Americans to read. If this March number had no "Frenzied Finance," nothing but the Beef Trust story between its covers, I would willingly contribute $15,000 to $20,000 work of advertising to get into the hands of the people.

Last month the edition of EVERYBODY'S numbered 90\0,000 --unprecedented in the history of general magazine making, an increase of 200,000 over the previous month. Stop and think that this 200,000 increase in itself is much greater than the entire circulation of many of the leading magazines of the country such as "Harper's," "Scribner's," "The Century" and "The Review of Reviews." Still, I calculated that every copy would be sold within three days and that that this month's edition should be at least 1,100,000 or 1,20\,000. I was mistaken. The West and South stood right up and went ahead as in the other months, but the East fell behind. They tell me it was because my instalment was slow and heavy; that there was not enough raw-edged-and-bloody-boneness about it. Maybe so, but it was the most important chapter I have yet written. It is full of valuable educational material. It was a brain-clearer--absolutely necessary to an understanding of the "System" and the Crimes of Amalgamated. But with the lively chapter in the March issue, and the tremendously hot instalments that are to follow I feel that the halt in the increase (this month's issue is the same as last, 900,000 copies) is but momentary.

Let the American people, as they thumb over this exquisite March number of EVERYBODY'S, ponder what Russell's and my work means.

Ireland at the end of a hundred years of tortured struggle for Home Rule, will probably not attain that end before another five or ten have passed.

The French were fifty years trying to exchange their royal collar for the ballots of free men.

It took the stalwart strenuous Yankees a decade to convince Royal George that his room was better than his company.

The Russians have been working the bloody kinetoscope night and day in the interest of constitutional government, and are still at it.

Sixty days after the people had "Frenzied Finance" in their hands, the "Standard Oil" monster was compelled after forty years of silence to publicly doff its insolent bonnet to the people.

Three months after the people got their eyes fixed on the deviltries of the "System" they elected as President a people's champion, with a popular majority greater than ever given any of his predecessors.

Four months after "Frenzied Finance" was introduced into American homes three leading insurance companies were discharging their agents in bunches, and the aggregate business of the three was falling off at the rate of $4,500,000 a week

After five months, a single blast of truth from one man shook Wall Street to its foundations and over $200,000,000 of what the people have been taught to believe was real values ran off into the gutter in the form of dirty water.

In six months, for the first time in the history of our country, the President of the United States was able to take by the throat the greatest business combinations and trusts the world has ever known, and shake them until their teeth chattered and their back bones rattled like hung dried corn in a fireplace when the wind gets at it.

In seven months the greatest national bank in the country, The City Bank of New York, was being hung up by the heels where all the people could see it in a lower and more contemptible transaction than I had even accused it of.

In eight months one of the greatest insurance companies of America was rent by internal dissention and its trustees were gouging and mauling each other in a public brawl as to who saw the people's savings first and who should have the larger part of the loot. Now these trustees of a great and sacred institution are accusing each other of things and hinting at crimes which even I have not touched upon.

And right here, in the beginning of my 9th chapter, Kansas——God Bless her ——had risen and is sweeping her end of the "System" into the muddy waters of the Missouri to the tune of "Douse the dirty reptiles—douse!"

The people should ponder these things as they read this month's issue of

Everybody's Magazine

THOMAS W. LAWSON.

Boston, February 20, 1905.

TWINKLINGS

— "So the specialist said you'd have to give up smoking for a while, eh?" "Yes, and he also said I'd have to give up $15 for good.—Colliers Weekly.

— Mary: I am sure there are many girls who could make you far happier than I could, Bertie: That's just the difficulty; they could, but they won't.— Glasgow Evening Times.

— "You are threatened with brain fever. What is your business?" "Nothing. I'm merely a society man." "Lemme look at your tongue again; I am mistaken in the brain fever diagnosis."— Houston Post.

— Uncertain: "I say, Maud," said Mamie, "did you see Mrs. Jenkie's new vase?" "Yes, isn't it perfectly horrid?" "I don't know yet. I haven't found out whether it is modern and perfectly lovely."—Tit-Bits.

— "What sort of a fellow is he, anyway?" "He's a Lizzieboy." "What's that?" "A Lizzieboy is a man who can go to a Saturday matinee without feeling out of place there."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

— The Sufferer—"Wow! I'm going to a dentist and have this tooth out." Christian Scientist—"Your tooth doesn't ache. You only imagine it does." The Sufferer—Then I'll have the dentist extract my imagination."—San Francisco Bulletin.

— Second Street Fakir—"Why, what's the trouble?" First Street Fakir—"Here I worked hard for half a day painting up a sparrow into a red-haired Belgian canary, and I'm blowed if the fellow I sold it to didn't give me a counterfeit half dollar for it."—New Yorker.

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Hard to Shake Off.

Hard to bear, harder to get rid of,
Is any itching skin complaint,
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Doan's Ointment relieves and cures.
All Itchiness of the skin.
Wilmington people endorse this statement:

C. H. Horton, printer on the Morning Star, residing at 109½ Dock street, says: "I had a rash on my body which had been bothering me for some time and often almost set me wild. I used lots of medicine and remedies, but without relief until I procured Doan's Ointment from Bellamy's drug store. I found it to be most excellent. I do not believe it was ten minutes after I I applied it before I had relief. I am glad to let others know of an effective preparation like Doan's Ointment proved to be in my case."

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— Johnie—Pa, what's the difference between a lunch and a luncheon? Pa—A lunch is what I eat about 1 o'clock every day, and costs from twenty-five to fifty cents. A luncheon is what your mother renders some of her lady friends occasionally, and costs me from a hundred to five hundred dollars."—New York Sun.

REYNOLDS' SUN CURED

More Reynolds' Sun Cured chewed the third year it was offered to the trade than any brand of any age claimed to be manufactured from Sun Cured Tobacco.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, February 24.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Sales at 49½c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.50 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $3.30 per barrel for hard, $3.70 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1.40; crude turpentine firm at $3.25@4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	8
Rosin	202
Tar	107
Crude turpentine	99

Receipts same day last year—9 casks spirits turpentine, 720 barrels rosin, 157 barrels tar, 48 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady at 7¾c for middling.

Same day last year, market dull at 13½c for middling.

Receipts—441 bales; same day last year, 9.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 95c; extra prime, $1.00; fancy, $1.10, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 60@65c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 11c; sides, dull, 10@11c.

EGGS—Dull at 20@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 15@35c; springs, 12½@15c.

TURKEYS—Dull at 12½c for live; 16½c for dressed.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6c per pound.

PORK—Firm at 7@8c net.

PEAS—White, $1.75@1.85; clay, $1.20@1.35.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60@75c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Money on call firm at 2½@3 per cent.; closing bid 2½ per ct, offered at 2¾; time loans slightly firmer; sixty days 3 per ct.; ninety days 3 per cent.; six months 3¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3¾@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange was quoted weak, with actual business in bankers' bills 486.85@487.90 for demand and at 484.60@484.65 for sixty day bills. The posted rates were 485¼ and 488. Commercial bills 484¼. Bar silver 60½. Mexican dollars 46¾. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104¾; do. coupon, 104¾; U. S. 3's, registered, 104; do. coupon, 104; U. S. 4's, new, registered, 132; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 132; U. S. 4's, old; registered, 105¾; do. coupon, 105¾. American Tobacco 4's cert., 74¾; American Tobacco 6's cert., 116½; Atlantic Coast Line 4's, 103¾; Louisville & Nashville, unified 4's, 103¼; Seaboard Air Line 4's 91¾; Southern Railway 5's, 119¾. Stocks: Atlantic Coast Line 132½; Baltimore & Ohio preferred 97; Chesapeake & Ohio 50¾; Louisville & Nashville 139¾; Manhattan L 171¾; New York Central 135¾; Reading 95¾; do. 1st pref'd, 91½; do. 2nd pref'd 89¾; Southern Railway 35¾; do. pref'd 98¾; Amalgamated Copper 76¾; People's Gas 108¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 92¾; U. S. Leather 12¾; U. S. Leather preferred, 104¾; Western Union 93¼; U. S. Steel 34; do. preferred 94¾; Mexican Central 23½; Virginia-Carolina Chemical, 36; sales — shares; do. preferred, 109; sales — shares. Standard Oil 598.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 24.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 18@18¾; do. preferred, 38@38¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Rosin steady. Strained, common to good, $3 87½. Spirits turpentine easy at 53¾@54c.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 24.—Spirits turpentine and rosin—nothing doing.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 24.—Spirits turpentine firm at 49c; receipts 86 casks; sales 259 casks; shipments 90 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 929 barrels; sales 1,551 barrels; shipments 115 barrels: A, B, C, $2 70; D, $2 75; E, $2 80; F, $2 85@2 87½; G, $2 90@2 92½; H $3 21; I, $3 80; K, $4 05; M, $4 50; N, $4 75; W G, $5 00; W W $5 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The cotton market was active and was rendered nervous and irregular by the issuance of March tenders to the extent of about 35,000 to 40,000 bales. These notices circulated through the greater part of the session among the various commission houses and forced a considerable amount of liquidation, while the parties issuing the tenders seemed to have buying orders around the ring and gradually bought back their cotton with the market toward the close, when notices had practically been eliminated as a factor, showing quite a steady undertone on covering by early sellers and some investment buying of the later months. The opening was steady with March 7 points lower and other months 1 to 3 points higher. Covering became a factor on the close and final prices were steady at a net advance of 3 to 9 points. The closing tone was steady. Sales of futures were estimated at 450,000 bales. Receipts for the day were larger at all points and the into sight for the week ran about 30,000 bales over last year's with many private advices predicting freer spot offerings owing to improved weather and the hastening of new crop preparations. Official advices from Southern spot markets reported unchanged prices to a decline of 3-16 but most private advices reported firm interior holdings for the time being.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Cotton was quiet at 7.75; net receipts — bales; gross receipts 1,705 bales; stock 68,262 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 18 points lower: middling uplands 7.75; middling gulf 8.00; sales 118 bales.

Futures opened steady: March 7.34, April 7.30 bid, May 7.33, June 7.36 bid, July 7.40, August 7.45, September 7.45 bid, October 7.51, November 7.55, December 7.58 bid.

Futures market closed steady: February 7.35, March 7.34, April 7.39, May 7.42, June 7.44, July 7.47, August 7.52, September 7.53, October 7.58, November 7.59, December 7.62.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 20,386 bales; exports to Great Britain 18,022 bales; exports to France 1,074 bales; exports to the Continent 7,500 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 680,282 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 112,575 bales; exports to Great Britain 43,522 bales; exports to France 2,209 bales; exports to Continent 83,317 bales; exports to Japan 9,127 bales; exports to Mexico — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,931,304 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,612,032 bales; exports to France 590,494 bales; exports to the Continent 2,194,823 bales; exports to Japan 107,260 bales; exports to Mexico 21,544 bales.

Feb. 25.—Galveston, steady at 7 1-16, net receipts 4,954 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 837 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8c, net receipts 1,069 bales; Boston, quiet at 7.90c, net receipts 348 bales; Wilmington, nominal, net receipts 441 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8c, net receipts 50 bales; Savannah, dull at 7 9 16c, net receipts 2,493 bales; New Orleans, steady at 7¾, net receipts 6,903 bales; Mobile, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 306 bales; Memphis, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 967 bales; Augusta, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 403 bales; Charleston, quiet at 7¾, net receipts 843 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Flour was dull but firm. Rye flour steady. Wheat—Spot barely steady; No. 2 red $1 23¾ f. o. b. afloat. Options partly ½c net higher; May closed $1 17¾; July closed $1 05¾; September closed 96½c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 57¾c at elevator. Options ¼c net higher: May closed 53¼c; July closed 53¾c; September closed 53¼c. Oats—Spot quiet; mixed, 26@32 lbs., 37@37¾c. Butter steady; creamery, common to extra 27@35c; State dairy 24@32c. Rice steady. Cheese—Market strong; State, small colored and white 10¾@13¼c. Molasses steady. Eggs were steady; Southern 25@30. Sugar—Raw strong; fair refining 4 9-16@4¾c; centrifugal, 96 test 5 1-16@5¾; molasses sugar 5-16@4¾; refined firm. Lard irregular; Western steam $7 00; refined steady. Pork barely steady; mess $12 75@13 50. Cotton seed oil was barely steady, with trade of moderate volume: Prime crude f. o. b. mills 29c; prime summer yellow 37½@37¾; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 30c; prime winter yellow 31c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Corn was the leader in the grain trade to day, pulling up prices of both wheat and oats. Big exports of corn was the principal reason for the unusual situation. May corn at the close showed an advance of ¾@1c. Wheat is up ¾c, oats made a net gain of ¼@½c, and provisions are practically unchanged.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Cash prices: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1 14@1 19; No. 3 do. $1 10@$1 19; No. 3 red $1 18¾@1 19¾. Corn—No. 2 45¾@45¾c; No. 2 yellow 45½@45¾c. Oats—No. 2 30½@31c; No. 2 white, 32¾c; No. 3 white 31@31¾c. Rye—No. 2 75@78c. Mess pork, per bbl, $12 38@12 40. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 70@6 72. Short rib sides, loose, $6 50@6 62. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no report. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 75@6 87½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 23.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May $1 18½, 1 18¾, 1 18½, 1 18¾; July $1 01½@1 01¾, 1 02¼, 1 01¾, 1 01¾@1 02; September 92¾@93¼, 93¾, 92¾, 93¼c. Corn—February 44¾, 45¼, 44¾, 45¼; May 46¾@46¾, 48, 46¾, 47¾; July 47¾@47¾, 48¾, 47¾, 48¾. Oats—February —, —, —, 30¾@31; May 30¾@30¾, 31¼, 30¾, 31¼@31¼; July 30¾, 31¼@31¼, 30¾, 31¼@31¼. Mess pork, per bbl—May $12 55, 12 60, 12 45, 12 55; July $12 70, 12 72, 12 62, 12 65. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $6 62, 6 67, 6 62, 6 67; July, $6 95, 7 00, 6 92, 7 00. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 57, 6 70, 6 65, 6 70; July $6 82, 6 82, 6 80, 6 82.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 8¼c; mild quiet; Cordova 10@13c. Futures closed firm and 10@15 points higher.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24.—Cotton: Spot, good business done; prices ten points lower; American middling fair 4.61d; good middling 4.29d; middling 4.17d; low middling 4.05d; good ordinary 3.91d; ordinary 3.75d. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 11,400 bales American. Receipts 27,000 bales, including 19,300 bales American.

Futures opened quiet and closed unsettled; American middling (g o c): February 4.00d; February and March 4.00d; March and April 4.00d; April and May 4.02d; May and June 4.04d; June and July 4.06d; July and August 4.07d; August and September 4.08d; September and October 4.10d; October and November 4.10d; November and December 4.10d.

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W. & W. Railroad—89 bales cotton, 1 barrel tar, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—301 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 12 barrels rosin, 24 barrels tar, 13 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—26 bales cotton, 13 barrels rosin, 11 barrels tar.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—100 barrels rosin, 34 barrels tar.

Steamer Franklin Pierce—1 cask spirits turpentine, 17 barrels rosin, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner Addie May—1 cask spirits turpentine, 60 barrels rosin, 30 barrels tar.

Total—441 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 202 barrels rosin, 107 barrels tar, 29 barrels crude turpentine.

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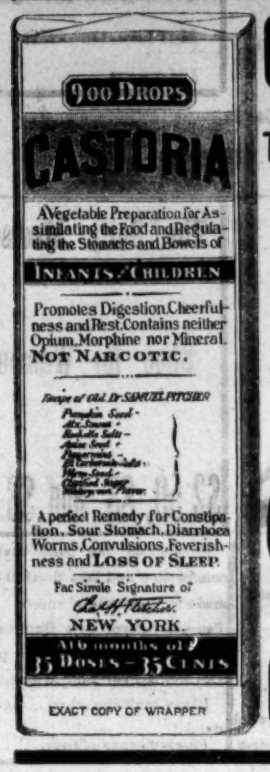
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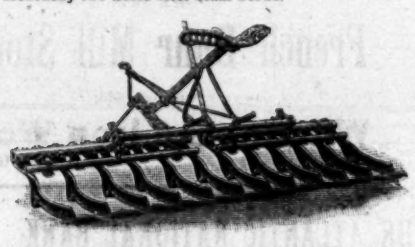

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Raleigh Post, Feb. 24: Application was made to the corporation commission yesterday for a charter for the Chadbourne Building and Loan Association. The capital is $100,000 authorized and $21,300 subscribed. Mr. J.A. Brown is president of the association.

— A message from Ashland, Va., received at Trinity College, Durham, on Thursday morning, informs the students that in the debate with Randolph-Macon College Wednesday night Trinity lost the decision. This was the second contest in argument between these two colleges, in each of which Randolp-Macon has been successful. Trinity's standard-bearers were Messrs. B. S. Womble and C. J. Harrell.

— At Fayetteville Wednesday afternoon two colored girls, Hattie Lee, aged nine, and Louise, aged seven, children of Josie Farmer, were drowned in Blount's Creek. The children were crossing on a foot-log when the smaller one slipped, pulling the other in with her. Another colored child, Annie Mary Williams, about ten years old, saw them fall into the creek and gave the alarm.

— At the meeting of the Goldsboro Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night, in addition to the strong resolutions adopted as expressive of the chrystalized sentiment of the community in favor of the extension of the charter of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Company, the following committee was appointed to go to Raleigh to appear before the Senate Railroad Committee in advocacy of the bill pending for said extension: Messrs. F. K. Borden, George C. Royall, N. O'Berry, F. A. Daniels, L. M. Michaux and Col. Jos. E. Robinson.

— On Wednesday afternoon a white man by the name of Jeff Grice was found dead in Juniper swamp, about five miles from Fremont. Grice, it seems, was under the influence of liquor and had attempted to cross a small stream and fell off the footing and was drowned. It was at first thought that he was murdered, but upon investigation it was decided that he came to his death as above stated. His dead body was found by his brother and taken to his home, about a half mile from where he met his death. Grice was about forty years old and leaves a wife, a very industrious woman, and five children.

At Asheville on Thursday the grand jury of the present term of Superior Court, investigating the alleged use of whiskey and money by Democrats during the last election for the purpose of illegally influencing votes, has finished its work, made its report and has been discearged by Judge Moore. The grand jury failed to find a true bill against the three persons charged with conspiracy in connection with the use of whiskey for campaign purposes, and also reported that under the evidence it was able to secure it was not justified in making presentments for any such alleged offenses. The grand jury has spent a portion of practically every day during the past two weeks in examining witnesses relative to the charges preferred in the bill of indictment, and during this time a large number of citizens of both political parties in Buncombe county have been summoned before that body and have testified.

— The Kinston Chamber of Commerce and citizens at a meeting on Wednesday night appointed a committee to go to Raleigh and oppose the bill to extend the Howland Improvement Company's lease of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad. The following resolutions were adopted: Whereas, under a contract of the lease it was stipulated that the rates for passenger and freight service existing at the date of the lease should not be increased, and whereas, notwithstanding said provisions in said lease the Howland Improvement Company has increased rates very materially, therefore be it resolved, that a committee consisting of stockholders and of patrons of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad be appointed to call upon the president and directors of the road for the purpose of requesting them to bring suit against the Howland Improvement Company for violating the terms of said contract and lease; that the said committee be authorized and requested to look into the feasibility of instituting proper proceedings against said Howland Improvement Company and their successors, and assigns to prevent them from collecting any more or greater charges for freight or passenger service than those in existence at the date of the lease, and if found to be proper the Chamber of Commerce, with said president and board of directors, to take immediate steps for that purpose.

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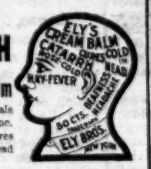

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Station.	No. 4.	No. 8.
Lv Goldsboro	3 45 p m	8 00 a m
Lv La Grange	4 10 p m	8 28 a m
Lv Kinston	4 40 p m	8 58 a m
Lv Dover	5 02 p m	9 14 a m
Lv Cove	5 16 p m	9 27 a m
Lv Tuscarora	5 26 p m	9 37 a m
Ar Newbern	5 45 p m	10 00 a m

Station	No. 7 (accom)
Lv New Bern	5 05 p m
Lv Riverdale	6 18 p m
Lv Havelock	6 34 p m
Lv Newport	6 50 p m
Ar Morehead City	7 12 p m

Station	No. 7 (accom)
Lv New Bern	12 30 p m
Lv Riverdale	1 12 p m
Lv Havelock	1 40 p m
Lv Newport	2 00 p m
Ar Morehead City	2 55 p m

WESTBOUND.

Station	No. 6	No. 8 (accom.)
Lv Moorehead City	7 40 a m	4 30 a m
Lv Newport	8 11 a m	6 54 a m
Lv Havelock	8 27 a m	7 06 a m
Lv Riverdale	8 49 a m	7 30 a m
Ar New Bern	9 00 a m	8 05 a m

Station	No. 6
Lv New Bern	9 15 a m
Lv Tuscarora	9 37 a m
Lv Cove	9 48 a m
Lv Dover	10 02 a m
Lv Kinston	10 27 a m
Lv LaGrange	10 53 a m
Ar Goldsboro	11 20 a m

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To The Beach and Wrightsville

Suburban and City Schedule.

In Effect January 12, 1905.

Suburban Schedule (daily except Sunday.)

Leave Front and Princess.	Leave the Beach
6.30 A. M.	8.00 A. M.
10.00 A. M.	12.30 P. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.

Leave Wrightsville	
6.10 P. M.	6.45 P. M.
7.30 "	8.15 "
9.00 "	9.30 "
10.00 "	10.30 "

Extra Cars on Sundays.

Note: Trains leaving Front and Princess Sts. 6.30, 10, 7.30, 9.00 and 10.00 P. M. will go over to Beach on request.

The 3 o'clock car comes back to The "light house" at 4.30 P. M., thus giving one an opportunity to enjoy an oyster roast as well as visit the ocean.

CITY SCHEDULE.

Regular City Cars.

Brooklyn and Belt line cars leave Front and Princess streets every 10 minutes beginning at 7.35 A. M., daily except Sunday. Sunday at 8.35 A. M. Last Brooklyn and Belt line cars leave Front and Princess streets at 12.05 midnight.

Hospital and Cemetery Cars. (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Cemetery
9.00 A. M.	9.30 A. M.
3.10 P. M.	3.00 P. M.
4.30 P. M.	5.00 P. M.

Delgado and Golf Link Car (Without change.) Daily except Sunday

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Golf Links.
2.40 P. M.	4.00 P. M.
5.10 " "	5.30 " "

A. C. L. Depot Car (Without change).

Leave Front and Princess	Leave A. C. L. Depot
10.00 A. M.	10.10 A. M.
5.40 P. M.	6.00 P. M.

S. A. L. Car (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave S. A. L. Depot
12.36 P. M.	12.45 P. M.
3.30 P. M.	3.00 P. M.
11.15 P. M.	11.30 P. M.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE.

Daily except Sunday.

Leave Bk and Orange	Leave the Beach
7.00 P. M.	4.30 P. M.

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Schedule in Effect Dec. 1, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 42	No 40
Lv Wilmington	9 15 a m	6 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	11 08 p m	9 05 p m
Ar Wilson	1 15 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 00 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 25 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 00 p m	7 04 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 45 a m	8 05 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 02 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	1 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 36 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 58 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	3 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 51 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk		9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	6 25 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 20 p m	7 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 55 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 07
Ar Wilson	11 23 p m	2 00
Ar Goldsboro	12 48 a m	3 15
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 05

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE F

SOUTHBOUND

	*Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	2 30 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 30 p m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 55 a m
Ar Jacksonville		6 40 a m
Ar Tampa		7 30 p m

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		7 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	*Daily.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 40 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 55 a m	7 30 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	6 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	6 55 a m
Ar Florence	7 50 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 35 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound *Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 5 40 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 00 p m	Ar 8 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 35 p m	Lv 9 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

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Lv Wilmington	2 35 p m	Ar 12 30 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

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Leave Wilmington	4 45 a m	5 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	8 50 a m	10 50 p m
" Southern Pines	9 45 a m	11 50 p m
" Selma	11 45 a m	2 15 a m
" Norlina	1 40 p m	3 54 a m
Arrive Portsmouth	5 30 p m	8 50 a m
Leave Richmond	4 55 p m	6 25 a m
" Washington	8 36 p m	9 50 a m
" Baltimore	11 17 p m	11 30 a m
" Philadelphia	2 35 a m	1 40 p m
Arrive New York	6 30 a m	4 15 p m
SOUTHBOUND.	No. 31	No. 45
Leave New York	12 05 p m	9 35 p m
" Philadelphia	2 55 p m	11 12 a m
" Baltimore	5 17 p m	1 37 a m
" Washington	6 25 p m	4 30 a m
" Richmond	11 00 p m	9 10 a m
Leave Portsmouth	9 30 p m	9 35 a m
Leave Norlina	1 35 a m	1 40 p m
" Raleigh	6 15 a m	4 00 p m
" Southern Pines	6 30 a m	6 15 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m	7 50 p m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	11 50 p m

Between Wilmington and Atlanta

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 41
Leave Wilmington	3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	10 15 p m
Arrive Athens	6 05 a m
Arrive Atlanta	7 40 a m
NORTHBOUND	No. 38
Leave Atlanta	8 00 p m
" Athens	11 20 p m
" Hamlet	6 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

Between Wilmington and Tampa

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 48
Leave Wilmington	3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	10 15 p m
Ar Columbia	12 15 a m
Ar Savannah	4 40 a m
Ar Jacksonville	9 45 a m
Arrive Tampa	6 35 p m
NORTHBOUND	No. 43
Leave Tampa	9 50 a m
" Jacksonville	7 50 p m
" Savannah	10 10 p m
" Columbia	3 30 a m
" Hamlet	6 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 25.

MRS. CHADWICK ON STAND.

Baffled Referee and Lawyers and Refused to Admit That She Was Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, Feb. 24.—Mrs. Chadwick, when placed on the stand in the bankruptcy proceedings against her to-day before Referee Remington, refused at first to be sworn. After a consultation with her attorneys, she finally consented to take the oath. She was then asked to state her name. She refused to reply to this or any other questions that followed.

Mrs. Chadwick sought refuge in her privilge as an accused person and she refused to answer most of the questions on the ground that what she said might tend to aid the prosecution of her in the criminal cases against her. Referee Remington found in her favor, although he insisted against her counsel's wishes in making her give a quasi explanation of her refusal.

"My financial affairs are so closely allied with the case in the Federal court that anything affecting the one must necessarily affect the other," said Mrs. Chadwick, and the referee declared that the exhibition of her position was as admirably expressed as it could be.

"What they want is to get possession of our information," stoutly declared Attorney Dawley on behalf of Mrs. Chadwick. Despite Dawley's objections and his irate declarations that Mrs. Chadwick was being unjustly and improperly imposed on, Mrs. Chadwick was forced to take the stand and be sworn. This she did very gracefully, smiling pleasantly and cheerfully as the referee administered the oath. But she refused to say that she was Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwicd, and smilingly persisted in that course.

Referee Remington vainly appealed to her, explained to her, cajoled her, and almost threatened her. Mrs. Chadwick was an interested listener to all he had to say, but his conversation moved her not a jot. Finally Remington grew a little exasperated at her cheerful indifference.

"Is this by your advice?" he sternly inquired of Dawley.

"I refuse to answer," was Dawley's reply. Counsel can take care of himself," he added, significantly. "I am not under obligations to disclose to any one, not even a court, the nature of my professional advice to my client."

The entire examination was a series of wrangles and disputes. Mrs. Chadwick answered a few questions, but her answers were remarkably free from information. Finally the court and counsel agreed to resume the hearing March 18, with the understanding that Mrs. Chadwick would testify freely on that date if the criminal cases against her had been disposed of by that time.

NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY.

Fifth Annual Dinner in New York Last Night—Some of the Toasts.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The fifth annual dinner of the North Carolina Society wos held at the Hotel St. Regis to-night.

Governor Duncan C. Heyward, of South Carolina, devoted part of his speech to the negro problem, saying among other things:

"As the negro is becoming more educated you will find that he is voluntarily abandoning work and congregating in the cities; that his tendency is to go north, east and west; that to-day Pennsylvania, for instance, has a population of 156,845 negroes; New York, 100,000; Missouri, 101,000; Massachusetts, 31,974, the District of Columbia 86,702, and New Jersey 69,844. Our movement, therefore, in its last analysis means the offering of a solution of this great problem, in which, from its very nature and relation to the other problems of immigration we will have the aid of the thinking people of those sections politically opposed to the South. We offer a peaceful solution, and with it the bringing about of a development of resources that cannot but mean much in the commerce and growth of the entire United States."

Former Governor Johnston, of Alabama, responded to the toast, "The South," and Mr. Uchida, the Japanese consul general in New York, spoke extemporaneously.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

For the Week Ending Friday, February 24th, 1905.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending February 24th, 1905:

	1905.	1904.
Net receipts at all U. S. ports during the week ...	112,575	64,877
Total receipts to this date	6,991,804	6,876,093
Exports for week..	138,704	43,183
Total exports to date	5,526,143	4,809,784
Stock in all U. S. ports	680,382	657,661
Stock at all interior towns.....	668,198	343,645
Stock in Liverpool, ...	———	619,000
American afloat for Great Britain ...	———	114,000

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Galveston, 1,948,326; New Orleans, 1,676,593; Mobile, 358,324; Savannah, 1,308,508; Charleston, 179,577; Wilmington, 287,601; Norfolk, 497,073; Baltimore, 39,845; New York, 21,693; Boston, 46,849; Newport News, 4,489; Philadelphia, 9,544; Brunswick, 155,287; Jacksonville, 17,048; Pensacola, 119,089; Port Arthur and Sabine Pass, 99,814; Port Townsend, 50,371; San Francisco, 87,239; Portland, Ore., 6931; El Paso, 3,125; Eagle Pass, 6,194; Laredo, 12,817; minor ports, 4,274. Total, 6,991,804.

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MR. CRUMPACKER SPOUTS IN HOUSE.

Gets Off Speech in Favor of Cutting Down Southern Representation.

WAS PRACTICALLY IGNORED.

Democrats Hardly Noticed His Remarks. Senator Morgan Opposes Indian Suffrage—Democratic Leadership Beats a Public Scandal.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—In the House of Representatives today the fight of many years waged against the appropriation of $130,600 for rental of the old New York custom house, resulted in a victory, Mr. Hemenway, of Indiana, chairman of the committee on appropriation, being unable to master sufficient strength to retain the provision in the bill. The opposition was led by Mr. Sulzer, of New York, supported by Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, the minority leader, both of whom denounced the expenditure as a public scandal and in the interest of the Standard Oil Company, which it was alleged was behind the National City Bank, the purchaser of the building from the government. Although the bank was alleged to have bought the property for $3,000,000 and to have credited the amount to the government, it developed that no title had passed to it and that in consequence it was paying no taxes to the State of New York.

Mr. Williams said the whole transaction was stamped with fraud and dishonor, He did not criticise the original transaction, but he asserted it was the subsequent dealings that were surrounded with fraud in order to obtain campaign contributions.

Mr. Sulzer could not account for the fact that the $3,000,000 purchase price had not been sent in to the Treasury instead of being simply tranferred on the bank's books, except that it was due to the influence which was behind the bank. "Every man in this chamber knows what that influence is," he said. "It is the influence of the great Standard Oil Trust that owns that bank and the influence that bank has had in the governmental affairs of the country." The provision was stricken out 93 to 77.

Under license of debate Mr. Crumpacker, of Indiana, delivered a lengthy speech in favor of the proposition to reduce the representation in the House of Representatives of those States violating the 14th and 15th amendments of the constitution regarding disqualification of voters. He said that while the South would be affected more than any other section of the country, the reduction would be felt as much in the State of Massachusetts as in Mississippi. He pleaded for perfect equality in citizenship and declared that the "door of hope" should be open to all citizens, without regard to color or creed.

Mr. Crumpacker admitted that a large percentage of negroes was not fitted for the privileges of the ballot, but those that were qualified, he contended, should be accorded those privileges as freely and ungrudgingly as was accorded any white man. The policy of maintaining two standards of citizenship, by which one portion held absolute control over the welfare and destiny of the other, however benevolent may be the motives, was sure to bring trouble and disaster.

Mr. Wallace, of Arkansas, discussed the relations between the North and South, and maintained that each was helpful and indispensable to the other. He quoted from speeches by the late Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, and President Roosevelt, in which he said the olive branch had been held out. No better illustration was need of the passing of sectionalism, he said, when the house this week passed the resolution giving authority to the Secretary of War to return Union and Confederate battle-flags to the several States. And yet, he said, when it was attempted by an executive order to return the flags, a wave of displeasure swept from ocean to ocean and from the foothills of the Alleghanies to the battlements of the Sierras.

Conditions in the South were discussed by Mr. Byrd, who attacked the tariff policy of the Republicans. He declared that looking at the situation in its most favorable light he could see but little hope for the South unless the government abandoned its market-destroying policy. Incidentally he alluded to the remarks of Mr. Crumpacker in defence of the negro and said if the gentleman would give one-half as much interest to the question of the right of the negro to live as his right to vote, the negro would be in a much better position.

The House passed the following bills: To provide for the construction of a lighthouse and fog signal on Diamond Shoals; authorizing the construction of two bridges across the Ashley river, in Charleston and Dorchester counties, S. C.

The House agreed to the Senate amendments to the Panama canal government and it was sent to conference, Messrs. Hepburn, of Iowa, Mann, of Illinois, and Adamson, of Georgia, being appointed managers on the part of the House.

IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The time of the Senate to-day was divided between the Swayne impeachment trial and the motion of Mr. Beveridge to appoint conferees of the joint statehood bill. In the Swayne case Messrs. Perkins, Clayton and Powers made arguments in behalf of the prosecution and Mr. Higgins responded in Judge Swayne's behalf, leaving Mr. Thurston still to speak for Judge Swayne and Messrs. DeArmond and Palmer for the House. The trial will be resumed at 10 o'clock to-morrow.

It is the expectation of the Senators who are managing the impeachment trial of Judge Swayne that an agreement will be made to-morrow to take a vote on Monday.

Mr. Perkins claimed that non residence on the part of Judge Swayne in his district had been absolutely established.

Mr. Clayton declared that never before in the history of the government had the contention been made that an official could not be impeached for offences committed when acting otherwise than in his official capacity.

Mr. Powers attributed the Judge's conduct in the Belden-Davis case to "weakness and vanity," and with reference to the O'Neal case said that no one can examine the evidence without reaching the conclusion that O'Neal was punished knowingly and unlawfully.

Mr. Powers was followed by Mr. Higgins, who made the first address in defence of Judge Swayne. Mr. Higgins quoted at length the resolutions adopted by the Florida Legislature in 1903 demanding the impeachment of Judge Swayne and said that of all the charges made in them none were left except those relating to residence and dealings with the contempt cases. Taking up first the contempt masters he said that in the Belden-Davis case Judge Swayne had been actuated to do what he did by the conduct of the attorneys. He contended for the jurisdiction of Judge Swayne in the O'Neal case and said that there was complete lack of malice on Judge Swayne's part. He explained the Judge's absence from his court as due largely to calls upon him to preside in other States. The Senate as a court then adjourned and resumed consideration of the statehood bill.

Mr. Morgan antagonized the motion to appoint conferees on the statehood bill and attacked the provision in the bill for Indian suffrage, saying: "The Pettifoggy politician could have no better field than this. With a bottle of whiskey, a few pipes and some gewgaws he can achieve marvelous results." He predicted that "the scandal that would come out of these elections would adhere not only to the new State, but to the people of the United States."

After the Alabama Senator had spoken for about an hour Mr. Bate approached him privately, asking him to desist and saying that Senators generally desire action. "I don't care," Mr. Morgan responded, "I am paddling my own canoe." Mr. Morgan admitted that it was his desire to kill the bill.

Mr. Foraker interrupted to move to adjourn, but before doing so he yielded to permit a motion to appoint conferees on the Panama Canal bill.

Mr. Bailey objected, saying that no more conferences could be had until the statehood matter is settled.

After further contention the Senate adjourned to meet at 9:30 to morrow morning, Mr. Morgan still holding the floor.

ONE HUNDRED BODIES.

Ghastly Record at the Virginia City Mine Day of Funerals.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Feb. 24.—With the recovery of one hundred bodies from the ill-fated mine at Virginia City, the work of rescue was abandoned this evening until to-morrow morning. Mine officials now seem confident that no more than seven more bodies are in the mine and it is possible this number will be decreased by three or four.

Pipes are being laid in the mine to-night to pump out the water which is in some places 100 feet deep in the lifts. The remaining bodies are all thought to be under water and it may be several days before they are recovered.

The fund for the relief of the widows and orphans has grown to over $30,000. A plan has been started to induce the miners of the district to give one day's work to the funds. The Sloss mines near Bessemer were the first to respond and the entire wages for the day of the miners tomorrow will be given to the fund. In this one mine $1,000 will be raised in this way. The movement meets with much sympathy among all the miners of the district.

Thirteen funerals were conducted in the little Hamlet of Virginia City today and the church bells of Pratt City were tolled continually from 9 o'clock in the morning until 4 in the afternoon for the numerous funerals conducted during the day.

THE WORLD'S COTTON.

Secretary Hester's Statement of Total Visible Supply.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 24.—Secretary Hester's statement on the world's visible supply of cotton issued to-day shows the total visible supply to be 4,179,431 bales against 4,336,993 last week and 3,735,597 last year. Of this the total American cotton is 3,177,431 bales against 3,273,993 last week and 3,639,597 last year, and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 1,003,000 bales against 963,000 last week and 1,806,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply of cotton there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continent Europe 2,170,000 bales against 2,046,000 last year; in Egypt, 190,000 against 353,000 last year; in India, 544,000 against 400,000 last year, and in the United States, 1,375,000 against 1,039,000 last year.

RAILROAD RATE LEGISLATION.

Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce Wants to Prepare Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 54.—The Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce to-day agreed to report a resolution asking that the committee be authorized by the Senate to sit during the recess of Congress and take testimony for the purpose of preparing some measure for the regulation of railroad freight rates. A sub-committee, consisting of Senators Foraker, Kean and Carmack, met immediately and drafted the resolution. It provides that the full committee or a quorum of the committee meet immediately after the adjournment of the present session of Congress and thereafter, at the convenience of the committee and report to the next session.

WARM WIRELETS.

A message to Norfolk over the government's seacoast telegraph line this morning reports an unknown steamer ashore two miles north of Little Island life saving station.

Rev. James Green Burroughs, D. D., a prominent divine, died after a brief illness at his home in Berkley, Va., yesterday. He was a native of Illinois, and was educated for the ministry in his native State, and also took a course in medicine. He went to Berkley in 1889, and for several years conducted a weekly newspaper known as the Saturday Graphic, and was the author of several books.

At Philadelphia yesterday, at a meeting of the directors of the Norfolk & Western Railroad Company, the resignation of Secretary A. J. Hemphill was accepted and E. H. Alden was elected to succeed him. W. G. McDowell was appointed vice president, with offices in Philadelphia, and Jos. B. Lacky was promoted to the position of treasurer, to succeed Mr. McDowell, who becomes vice president.

Grave events are imminent in Manchuria; the Japanese have driven the Russians inside the fortified line and a big battle is expected; Russian raiders have blown up a bridge which was quite important to the Japanese. An attempt has been made to assassinate the President of Santo Domingo to foil the United States.

Famous Bock Beer.

Mr. Otto Banck, the genial agent in this city of the Robert Portner Brewing Co., announces that the first car load of Portner's famous old German Bock Beer has been received and is now ready for distribution. This famous beer needs no introduction to the public. It has been on the market for years and discriminating buyers know what it is. Mr. Banck will take pleasure in answering all inquiries. Telephone No. 99.

THE SIMPLON TUNNEL COMPLETED YESTERDAY.

Greatest Engineering Feat of the Age—It Was Bored Twelve Miles Through the Alps and Cost $15,000,000.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

GONDO, SWITZERLAND, Feb. 24.—Piercing of the Simplon Tunnel through the Alps was completed at 7:30 o'clock this morning. The work was commenced in 1898.

The meeting of the two boring parties (Swiss and Italian) was signalled throughout Switzerland by the ringing of church bells and salutes by cannon.

Many unexpected obstacles were encountered, the most serious being hot springs which threatened to wreck the whole enterprise and a temperature which at one time rose to 131 degrees Fahrenheit, making a continuance of the work impossible until the engineers found means of cooling the atmosphere.

Now that the borers have met it will enable the water accumulated in the north gallery to be drawn off. The work of preparing the tunnel for a permanent way will be pushed as rapidly as possible and it is hoped to inaugurate the tunnel about March 20.

The engineering of the Simpson tunnel is regarded as being one of the greatest engineering achievements of the age. Many difficulties were encountered and overcome. The length of the tunnel from Brige, in Switzerland, to Iselle, on the Italian side of the mountain, is about 12 miles. Work was begun over seven years ago and according to contract the tunnel must be ready for traffic on May 15 next.

The Swiss and Italian governments jointly financed the undertaking and share alike the cost of $15,000,000.

As soon as the boring is thoroughly completed and the track laid a smaller tunnel is to be constructed, parallel to the large one which will be increased in size so as to permit of traffic both ways at the same time.

LYNCHING OF NEGRO AVERTED.

Governor Vardaman Again Takes Prompt Measures to Uphold Law.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSON, MISS., Feb. 24—Developments in the assault case, wherein Miss Marsh, a worthy young white woman of this city, was criminally assaulted by a negro, came thick and fast this afternoon. The police have arrested a negro named Stewart Johnson, under very suspicious circumstances. His clothing was bloody and he bore other evidences of having been in a struggle. His mother and sister told conflicting stories in regard to the whereabouts of the negro at the hour of the assault. His shoes were placed in the tracks where the assault was committed, and they fitted exactly. Later in the evening the police discovered a young negro named Jake Turnbell, about 14 years of age who says that he was on the other side of the street when the assault was committed last night. He was taken to the jail, and identified the negro Johnson as the one who committed the assault.

To-night crowds began to gather in the up-town business district and on each corner there were a number of grim and determined men who openly indulged in talk of lynching. At a mass meeting of the citizens of the city, Governor Vardaman announced the appointment of Col. R. J. Harding, former sheriff of the county, as the colonel of a regiment to be formed. A captain was named for each ward in the city, they in turn selecting the members of their company. Governor Vardaman addressed the meeting and called on all the people of the city, both black and white, to help hunt out the assaulter. At 7 o'clock to-night the streets were crowded with people and there was an air of expectancy on each face.

To-night about 8 o'clock, when there was a dense crowd in the vicinity of the city jail, it became known that the negro Stewart Johnson was not in the city jail, having been removed about dark by Sheriff Spann and it is believed taken to Vicksburg. There was really no attempt at lynching even when the crowd was unaware that the negro had been removed. Those who were talking loudest for lynching were some irresponsible youngsters. At 9 o'clock it became generally known that there would be nothing doing and the crowd took cars for home. The negro was removed at the instance of Governor Vardaman and it is believed that he was taken to Vicksburg, though officials refuse to state where he is.

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

Gen Lee Calls on the President—Senator Daniel Introduces Exposition Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—General Fitzhugh Lee, president of the Jamestown Exposition Company, called on the President today to urge him further to exert his influence in behalf of pending Congressional legislation for the government's participation in the exposition. Virginia members of the House of Representatives have been informed by the House leaders that favorable action on the measure will not be taken at this session, but they yet entertain hope that the measure may be enacted into law.

Senator Daniel introduced today a bill to provide for celebrating the first permanent settlement of English speaking people in America by holding an exposition in the vicinity of Jamestown. The bill is similar to that offered in the House by Representative Maynard. Senator Daniel also offered an amendment to the sundry civil bill, appropriating $650,000 for the exposition. The amendment contains many of the provisions of the bill which has been reported to the House and designates how the proposed appropriation is to be expended.

Told a Frightful Story.

At 1 o'clock this morning Police Sergeant C. S. Burnett responded to a hurry call from a much-agitated colored woman, Lou Hall, No. 206 South Twelfth street, who reported that a colored man had just broken into her house, killed her sister, Jane White, with an axe and had made a violent assault upon the informer herself. The Hall woman had previously gone to the residence of her employers, No. 108 South Third street, and told her frightful story there. Sergeant Burnett's investigation revealed that the woman's story was much overdrawn; that a man had broken into the house and frightened Jane White away, but that she had not been injured and that Lou Hall, in her fright, when the man had come with the axe, had run through a neighbor's glass door, cutting herself fearfully. The man, however was not arrested. The Hall woman was sent to the hospital.

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PREACHER CAUGHT BURGLAR.

Arthur Beatty, Negro, Taken from Dr. Wells' Residence This Morning.

At 2 o'clock this morning Rev. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, telephoned a hurry call to the police station, stating that he had captured a burglar at his residence, Third and Orange streets, and asking that an officer come immediately. Police Sergeant George Smith responded and was directed by Dr. Wells to a closet up stairs, on the back porch, where Arthur Beatty, a well known police court offender, was found securely locked. The negro made no effort to escape, appeared half-intoxicated and told three or four stories accounting for his presence there. He was locked up at the police station where charges will be preferred against him to-day.

The negro had not entered the residence. Dr. Wells was awakened by the negro's footsteps on the back porch and went up to investigate. At the sight of Dr. Wells, Beatty sprang into the closet, hoping that Dr. Wells had not seen him, and he would later have a chance to escape. Dr. Wells, however, locked the closet door and 'phoned for the officer. A charge of burglary may be made out against the negro as the back porch of Dr. Wells' residence was enclosed.

ROCKY MOUNT TO HAVE GAS PLANT.

Coast Line Working in Unison With the Town—Its Good Effect.

The Rocky Mount Record of this week has the following:

Mr. O. C. Whitney, assistant engineer of the Pintsch Compressing Co., of New York city, was here during all last week, making arrangements for the establishment of a gas plant.

Through Messrs. Huffines & Davis they purchased a site between Rocky Mount and South Rocky Mount just beyond the Rocky Mount Ice Co.'s plant on the property of Dr. J. W. Sherrod.

An $8,000 building will be erected at once. Other equipment will be installed making a total amount of $30,000 invested. Their product will be used exclusively by the A. C. L. In fact, they come at the request of the Coast Line to manufacture the gas here. The Coast Line has been using their gas on all through trains. The railroad company has recently decided to light all trains on their system in this manner, hence their securing the gas company to erect a plant here. This plant will furnish lighting fuel for the illumination of trains for the entire Coast Line system. The plant will not employ a very large number of hands, but those employed will be skilled workmen and will be a valuable addition to the town.

The railroad company is doing a great thing for Rocky Mount and we think the town fully appreciates this fact. The town authorities and the railroad company have in the past been on very amicable terms, the town authorities being very careful not to legislate any laws that would be inimicable to the railroad and the company is constantly adding to their interests here."

EX-JUDGE GEORGE HOWARD

Died Rather Suddenly Yesterday Afternoon at His Home in Tarboro, N. C.

[Special Star Telegram.]

TARBORO, N. C., Feb. 24.—A host of friends throughout the State and elsewhere will receive with profound sorrow the sad intelligence of the sudden death of ex-Judge George Howard, which occurred here to-day after a brief illness of two days. Judge Howard was stricken with strangulated hernia Wednesday evening and an operation was considered necessary to save his life. He was taken to the Pittman Sanitarium Thursday morning where a very successful operation was performed by Dr. Johnson, an eminent surgeon of Richmond, assisted by local physicians. The distinguished patient had survived and it was thought his chances were very favorable. He rested well until noon today when the life of the noble, Christian man began to ebb and at 3 o'clock, he breathed his last. Judge Howard was 75 years old. He was one of Tarboro's most public-spirited men and had contributed very materially to the growth and advancement of the town. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

Negro Barber Had Pistol.

As Samuel Smith, a flashily-dressed negro barber who proclaims himself a "millionaire from South Carolina," was leaving Justice Bornemann's court day before yesterday where he had just been taxed with the cost in an ill-founded prosecution which he had brought against Tom Rivera, Jr., two young white boys standing at a window in the Naval Reserve armory, across the street, saw him shift a pistol from his hip pocket to his overcoat pocket. The information came to the knowledge of the authorities and a warrant was sworn out for Smith. He was arraigned in Justice Fowler's court yesterday and was bound over to Superior Court under bond of $35. Marsden Bellamy, Jr., Esq., appeared for the negro

Church Notices.

First Presbyterian Church, corner Third and Orange streets: Divine services to-morrow at 11 A. M and 7:30 P. M., with preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Wells. Sunday school at 4 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. The pews are free and all are cordially invited to attend.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, D. D., pastor. Sabbath services at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 4 P. M. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

Religious services will be conducted at the Seamen's Bethel to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, by Rev. Harold Thomas. Seamen and riverman are especially invited. All are welcome.

First Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Market streets, Rev. Fred D. Hale, D. D., pastor. Preaching to-morrow at 11 A. M and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school 3:30 P. M. Prayer and praise worship Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Baptist Young People's Union Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. The public cordially invited to all services.

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For Sale—Only space for a business house on Front street, north of Market, south of Red Cross. For terms call on M. C. Darby & Co., 114½ Princess street, real estate agents. fe 24 tf

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county made in the cause of Annie J. Sadgwar, administratrix of Sophia A. Price deceased, vs Fred C. Sadgwar, et. al., the undersigned commissioner appointed by said decree, will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the Court House door, in the city of Wilmington, on Saturday, the 18th day of March, 1905, at 12 o'clock M., the following described land, situate in Cape Fear township, New Hanover county:

1st. One-half undivided interest in that tract of la d beginning at a spruce Pine, Jerry Fonville's third corner in the old line in a Bay, runs thence with Samuel Davis' line S 43 deg. 30 min E 51 chains to a dead pine stump; thence with another of said Davis' lines S 53 deg. 30 min. E 13 chains and 75 links to a large poplar on the N. edge of the Ditch Pond Branch, one chain above where said branch enters into Broad Water Branch, thence down said branch N. 51 deg. 30 m n E 3 chains and 75 links to a dead pine stump; thence N 24 deg W 3 chains and 25 links to a small Black Gum; thence N 56 deg. W. 2 chains to a large sweet Gum on the N edge of the pring Branch; thence N 83 deg W 1 chain 50 links to a small sweet Gum; thence N 18 deg 30 min W 4 chains to a large poplar; thence N 8 deg. East 2 chains and 50 links to a sweet Gum; thence N. 50 deg E. 4 chains and 21 links to a long straw pine; thence N. 36 deg. 30 min. E 3 chains and 14 links to a White Oak; thence N. 11 deg. W 3 chains and 25 links to a Poplar; thence N 14 deg W. 2 chains and 65 links to a large forked long straw pine; thence N 13 deg 30 min E 6 chains and 11 links to two small Dog wood trees; thence N. 56 deg W 3 chains to a long straw pine; thence N. 16 deg 45 min. E 4 chains and 15 links to a spruce pine; thence N. 48 deg 30 min. E. 3 chains and 16 links to a large hollow Poplar; thence N 17 deg E 50 links to a stake; thence W 4 chains to the beginning, containing about 85 acres more or less.

2nd One-half undivided interest in that tract of land and beginning at a large Gum Tree, high water mark of DeRossett's branch, near where it empties into Broad Water Branch, and runs ng thence N 54½ deg. E 3 chains and 75 links to a pine; thence N. 66½ deg E 2 chains and 88 links to a pine; thence S. 7½ deg E 4 chains and 20 links to a pine; thence N 84½ deg. E 3 chains and 75 links to a pine; thence S. 40¾ deg E 3 chains and 8 links to a pine; thence S. 10¾ deg E. 2 chains and 8 links to a pine; thence S. 40¾ deg. E. 7 chains and 60 links to a small sweet gum tree on the N. side of said DeRossett's branch and of the Holly Shelter road, thence N with said road 50 links; thence N. 40½ deg W 7 chains and 50 links, thence N. 10 deg. W two chains and 8 links thence N 40½ deg. W 2 chains and 9 links; thence S. 84½ deg 3 chains and 75 links; thence N. 71 deg. W 3 chains and 50 links; thence S. 6 deg. W. 9 chains and 10 links; thence S. 85 deg W 3 chains and 75 links to a Gum tree; thence S. 38½ deg W. 4 chains to a Dog wood tree on Broad Water branch; the ce southwardly along high water mark of Broad Water branch with its various meanderings to the beginning. Co tain 1 gross acres more or less.

WILLIAM H. BELLAMY, Commissioner.

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Notice to the Bondholders of New Hanover County.

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